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FM AMEMBASSY VALLETTA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6156

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FOR FBO AND EUR/EX

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SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF LEASE FOR AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

REF: (A) LEASE S-100-FBO-3

(B) STATE 053835 (MARCH 11, 1975)

1. LEASE ON PRESENT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE, VILLA BIJOU (PROPERTY 01216), EXPIRES AUGUST 1, 1975. CLAUSE TWELVE OF LEASE GIVES USG OPTION TO EXTEND LEASE FOR A FURTHER PERIOD OF TEN YEARS UNDER TEERMS AND CONDITIONS TO BE MUTUALLY AGREED WITH LESSOR.

2. EMBASSY HAS SUBMITTED TO DEPARTMENT COST ESTIMATES AND ARCHITECT'S DRAWINGS FOR RECOMMENDED RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO NEW AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE, VILLA APAP BOLOGNA (PROPERTY 03216). THESE DOCUMENTS FORWARDED MAY 13 BY AIR POUCH TO A/FBO (REGISTRY NUMBER 1573775) AND EUR/EX (REGISTRY NUMBER 1573776).

3. AMBASSADOR SMITH WILL BE IN WASHINGTON ON CONSULTATION WEEK OF JUNE 9-13, AND WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS VILLA APAP BOLOGNA RENOVATION PROJECT WITH FB AND EUR/EX DURING HIS CONSULTATIONS.

4. EMBASSY ESTIMATES THAT VILLA APAP BOLOGNA RENOVATIONS MAY TAKE UP TO A YEAR TO COMPLETE. THEREFORE, IN ORDER TO ASSURE CONTINUED UTILIZATION OF VILLA BIJOU UNTIL
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VILLA APAP BOLOGNA IS READY FOR OCCUPANCY, EMBASSY

REQUESTS AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE WITH LESSOR OF VILLA
BIJOU TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR EXTENSION OF LEASE S-100-
FBO-3 FOR ONE YEAR, UNTIL AUGUST 1, 1976.

5. EMBASSY ALSO REQUESTS AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE CLAUSE
ENABLING USG TO EXTEND LEASE BEYOND THIS DATE, ON SAME
TERMS AND CONDITIONS, IF REQUIRED. LEASE WILL BE TERMI-
NATED CONCURRENT WITH OCCUPANCY OF VILLA APAP BOLOGNA.

6. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST SO THAT EMBASSY CAN INITIATE
DISCUSSIONS WITH LESSOR OF VILLA BIJOU. BMITH

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